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The Honorable Adam Clayton Powell, Jr.  
U. S. House of Representatives  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Powell:

Thank you for your referral to me of the letter of 2 May 1955 which you received from [redacted] New York, and a copy of the letter to you of 25 May 1955 from Mr. John Edgar Hoover. The correspondence which you forwarded is returned herewith for your files.

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I am sorry that we cannot be of help to you in reply to your inquiry, but under the provisions of Section 102 (d) (5) of the National Security Act of 1947, the Central Intelligence Agency shall have no police, subpoena, law-enforcement powers, or internal-security functions. As the information which you have requested falls into the internal security field, which is outside of our statutory jurisdiction, we would not have any information with which to assist you.

I would like to take this opportunity of again expressing my appreciation for your coming down the other afternoon and giving us the benefit of your views of the Bandung Conference.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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